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CENTRAL COMMAND

SAFESTAT REPORT



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Overview

The month of September brought to a close the traditional summer traffic flows common to Central Command. As traffic numbers start their gradual decline going into winter, overall activity produced by Central Command personnel fell slightly by 3.8% as compared to August. Total crash numbers also declined by 17.4% from the previous month, and by 9.1% from September of 2003. Crashes involving commercial vehicles comprised 15% of the total crashes in September, declining significantly from the 23.1% recorded in August.

Of the 100 total crashes handled by personnel of the Central Command, 5 crashes or 5% involved fatalities. This is a 16.7% decline in fatal crashes when compared to August. Injury crashes also declined by 21.1%, as did property crashes by 15.6%. Commercial vehicle crashes also declined by 46.4%, down to 15 total crashes of which 12 were attributed to be the fault of the commercial vehicle.

As previously stated, total enforcement activity for the Command decreased by 3.8%. While declines were noted in speed violations (13.3%) and hazardous moving violations (13.0%), occupant restraint violations increased by 3.0%. The most notable category was commercial safety violations by traffic enforcement personnel. After completing 222 driver inspections, 141 citations were issued for a variety of commercial violations. The Commercial Enforcement Section showed an 11.3% decline in total safety inspections, however, increased total cited safety violations by 15.3%. Total vehicles placed "out of service" declined by 18.3%, but drivers placed "out of service" increased significantly by 36.7%. Trucks weighed fell by 46.2% however total overweight citations increased from 4 in August to 18 in September. Dyed fuel inspections also declined by 18.5% with no violations being recorded.

The personnel of Central Command remain focused on their traffic safety mission, and are commended for a job well done.

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CENTRAL COMMAND

CRASH ANALYSIS AND OVERVIEW

| | Current period | | Same period previous year | % Change | | Previous reporting period | % Change |
|--|----------------|--|---------------------------|----------|--|---------------------------|----------|
| Total Crashes | 100 | | 110 | -9.1% | | 121 | -17.4% |
| Property Crashes [including commercial vehicles] | 65 | | 70 | -7.1% | | 77 | -15.6% |
| Injury Crashes [including commercial vehicles] | 30 | | 38 | -21.1% | | 38 | -21.1% |
| Fatal Crashes [including commercial vehicles] | 5 | | 2 | 150.0% | | 6 | -16.7% |
| DUI Crashes [DUI charged] | 6 | | 5 | 20.0% | | 2 | 200.0% |
| Total persons killed in fatal crashes | 5 | | 2 | 150.0% | | 6 | -16.7% |
| Total drivers killed without seatbelts | 4 | | 0 | 400.0% | | 1 | 300.0% |
| Total passengers killed without seatbelts | 0 | | 0 | 0.0% | | 2 | -200.0% |
| Total drivers killed with seatbelts | 1 | | 1 | 0.0% | | 0 | 100.0% |
| Total passengers killed with seatbelts | 0 | | 1 | -100.0% | | 0 | 0.0% |
| Total persons killed -- seatbelts not applicable | 0 | | 0 | 0.0% | | 3 | -300.0% |
| Total number of commercial vehicle crashes | 15 | | 27 | -44.4% | | 28 | -46.4% |
| Property crashes involving commercial vehicle | 10 | | 19 | -47.4% | | 25 | -60.0% |
| Injury crashes involving commercial vehicle | 4 | | 7 | -42.9% | | 3 | 33.3% |
| Fatal crashes involving commercial vehicle | 1 | | 1 | 0.0% | | 0 | 100.0% |

Percentage of fatal crashes to total crashes 5.0%

Percentage of DUI crashes to total crashes 6.0%

Percentage of persons killed *without* seatbelts to total persons killed 80.0%

Percentage of commercial vehicle crashes to total crashes 15.0%

NARRATIVE ANALYSIS

[Narrative analysis to include trends or other applicable issues]

☀ Total Crashes decreased by 21 or 17.4%.

- Decreases were recorded in all crash categories.
- Five persons were killed in five fatal crashes, one of which involved a commercial vehicle.
- Alcohol related crashes increased by 4 or 200%.
- The average BAC from crashes was 0.148.

☀ Commercial vehicle crashes declined by 46.4%.

- Of the 15 commercial crashes, 7 occurred on the interstate, and 8 on secondary highways.
- Of the 10 that were “driver error”, 8 were caused by the driver of the commercial motor vehicle.
- One commercial crash resulted in a fatality. This occurred when the driver of the commercial vehicle attempted to pass another vehicle in a no passing zone.
- The percentage of commercial vehicle crashes to total crashes dropped from 23.1% in August to 15.0% this reporting period.

FIELD ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY

[Narrative analysis to include trends or other applicable issues]

| | Current period | | Same period previous year | % Change | | Previous reporting period | % Change |
|--|----------------|--|------------------------------|----------|--|---------------------------------|----------|
| DUI arrests from crashes | 6 | | 5 | 20.0% | | 2 | 200.0% |
| DUI arrests <i>prior</i> to crashes | 18 | | 15 | 20.0% | | 20 | -10.0% |
| Other Arrests | 90 | | 102 | -11.8% | | 94 | -4.3% |
| Total persons arrested (DUI included) | 61 | | 51 | 19.6% | | 52 | 17.3% |
| Speed violations | 1430 | | 1784 | -19.8% | | 1649 | -13.3% |
| Hazardous moving violations | 180 | | 184 | -2.2% | | 207 | -13.0% |
| Occupant restraint violations * | 237 | | 269 | -11.9% | | 230 | 3.0% |
| Total violations [above violations included] | 2634 | | 2986 | -11.8% | | 2739 | -3.8% |
| Commercial Enforcement | | | | | | | |
| Hazardous moving violations - citations/arrests | 40 | | 39 | 2.6% | | 44 | -9.1% |
| Other traffic violations - citations/arrests | 12 | | 30 | -60.0% | | 15 | -20.0% |
| Total safety inspections [level 1, 2, 3, 4, & 6] | 581 | | 642 | -9.5% | | 655 | -11.3% |
| Terminal inspections [level 5] | 0 | | 0 | 0.0% | | 0 | 0.0% |
| Total safety violations -- citation | 166 | | 176 | -5.7% | | 144 | 15.3% |
| Total safety violations -- repair order | 1061 | | 1340 | -20.8% | | 1182 | -10.2% |
| Total vehicles placed "Out of Service" | 49 | | 39 | 25.6% | | 60 | -18.3% |
| Total drivers placed "Out of Service" | 41 | | 44 | -6.8% | | 30 | 36.7% |
| Total school buses inspected | 0 | | 0 | 0.0% | | 1 | -100.0% |
| Total school buses placed "Out of Service" | 0 | | 0 | 0.0% | | 0 | 0.0% |
| Total trucks weighed | 185 | | 582 | -68.2% | | 344 | -46.2% |
| Total overweight citations | 18 | | 18 | 0.0% | | 4 | 350.0% |
| Total dyed fuel inspections | 521 | | 660 | -21.1% | | 639 | -18.5% |
| Total dyed fuel citations | 0 | | 2 | -200.0% | | 0 | 0.0% |

Commercial enforcement activity by Traffic Operations personnel.
 [These figures are **not** included in the above commercial activity.]

| Commercial Activity [TRAFFIC PERSONNEL ONLY] | | | | | |
|---|----------------------------------|---|---------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| Level 2/3 Inspections | Safety Violations Citation | Safety Violations Repair Order | Drivers Placed "Out of Service" | Dyed Fuel Inspections | Dyed Fuel Citations |
| # | # | # | # | # | # |
| 222 | 141 | 423 | 28 | 85 | 0 |

NARRATIVE ANALYSIS*[Narrative analysis to include trends or other applicable issues]*

- ☼ Overall enforcement activity decreased slightly by 3.8%
 - DUI arrests prior to crashes declined by 2 or 10%.
 - The average BAC for these arrests was 0.117.
- ☼ Inspections of commercial vehicles declined by 11.3% or 74 inspections.
 - Total safety violations found also declined by 10.2%, but safety violations resulting in a citation increased by over 15%.
 - Dyed fuel inspections decreased by 18.5% with no citations issued.
 - Total vehicles weighed declined by 46.2%, however overweight citations increased from 4 to 18 or 350.0%
 - The Commercial Enforcement Section for Central Command met and exceeded every established goal for the federal fiscal year.

| ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES | Current period | | Same period previous year | % Change | | Previous reporting period | % Change |
|--------------------------------------|----------------|--|---------------------------|----------|--|---------------------------|----------|
| COMMUNICATION CENTER | | | | | | | |
| Radio Transmissions | 76153 | | 75161 | 1.3% | | 75222 | 1.2% |
| CAD incidents | 9224 | | 5360 | 72.1% | | 8584 | 7.5% |
| Telephone Calls | | | | | | | |
| Call Box Incidents [Las Vegas only] | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| FRONT OFFICE | 81 | | | 8100.0% | | 99 | -18.2% |
| Accident Reports Processed | 63 | | | 6300.0% | | 42 | 50.0% |
| Arrest Reports Processed | 14 | | | 1400.0% | | | 1400.0% |
| Incident / Officer Reports Processed | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | |
| COURT / WARRANT | | | | | | | |
| Warrants Received | 470 | | | 47000.0% | | | 47000.0% |
| Warrants Entered | 397 | | 187 | 112.3% | | 87 | 356.3% |
| Warrants Cleared | 181 | | 145 | 24.8% | | 152 | 19.1% |
| Warrants Validated | 2068 | | 1842 | 12.3% | | 1252 | 65.2% |
| Extradition / Transports | 4 | | | 400.0% | | | 400.0% |
| | | | | | | | |
| EVIDENCE | | | | | | | |
| New Cases Submitted | 22 | | | 2200.0% | | | 2200.0% |
| New Items Submitted | 78 | | | 7800.0% | | | 7800.0% |
| Items Disposed | 178 | | | 17800.0% | | | 17800.0% |

NARRATIVE ANALYSIS*[Narrative analysis to include trends or other applicable issues]*

- ✱ The Command has completed 79% of the required recertification training for the calendar year.
- ✱ Court/Warrant
 - Central Command received 6,071 warrants from Southern Command. These warrants were from 7 different courts. Central Command adopted 12 new courts during this exchange.
 - With the combined efforts of the warrant officer and dispatch center personnel, an audit covering over 25,000 NHP NCJIS warrants was completed in September.
- ✱ Contract Services
 - Troopers worked a total of 955.73 hours of contract service. This is an increase of 154.4 hours over August.
 - Contracts increased by 6, for a total of 20 contracts in September.

PERSONNEL

- Serena Waterman-Adkins was hired September 7th as a PSDI. Central Command Communications is currently fully staffed.

PUBLIC INFORMATION

- A child safety seat checkpoint was held at the Family Resource Center in Elko. Thirty installations were conducted.
- Driver safety program for 30 students at Spring Creek LDS.
- Child passenger safety offenders class at Elko NHP office. Four offenders were in attendance.

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